

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4239
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TELEGRAPH SERVICES
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to review the telegraph services in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is any plan to modernise the said services;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

- (a) & (b): At present, there is no proposal to review the telegraph services in the country.
- (c) The telegraph services have already been modernised by inducting microprocessor based electronic switches such as Store and Forward Message Switching systems (SFMSS), Formatted Terminal Concentrators(FTCs) and Electronic Key Board Concentrators(EKBCs)
- (d) The details is given in Annexure.
- (e) No comments required in view of reply given at (d)

ANNEXURE

Details of Microprocessor based systems provided in the country

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| 1. Store and Forward Message Switching Systems 128 lines (SFMSS 128 L) | 10 |
| 2. Store and Forward Message Switching Systems 64 lines (SFMSS 64 L) | 13 |
| 3. Store and Forward Message Switching Systems 32 lines (SFMSS 32 L) | 30 |
| 4. Formatted Terminal Concentrators (FTCs) | 31 |
| 5. Electronic Key Board Concentrators (EDBCs) | 397 |
| 6. Bureau Fax Centres (FAX Machines) | 1398 |